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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**  
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9 Everett Gregory Casteel,

10 Petitioner,

11 v.

12 Maricopa County Sheriff's Department, et  
13 al.,

14 Respondents.

No. CV-13-01832-PHX-DJH

**ORDER**

15 Pending before the Court is the Report and Recommendation of United States  
16 Magistrate Judge Bridget S. Bade ("R & R") (Doc. 26), recommending that this Court:  
17 (1) grant Respondents' Motion to Transfer Pursuant to Ninth Circuit Rule 22-3 (Doc. 23);  
18 (2) deny as moot Respondents' Motion to Stay the Time for Filing an Answer (Doc. 23);  
19 (3) deny as moot Petitioner's Motions to Dismiss (Doc. 24) and his Motion to Stay (Doc.  
20 25). R & R (Doc. 26) at 3:1-8. As the R & R allowed, *pro se* Petitioner timely filed his  
21 objections (Docs. 27-28).

22 After reviewing Petitioner's objections, the Court finds them to be without merit,  
23 especially in view of the R & R's sound reasoning.

24 Accordingly,


25 **IT IS ORDERED ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING** as an Order of this Court  
26 Magistrate Judge Bade's R & R (Doc. 26);

27 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Petitioner's Amended Petition for Writ of  
28 Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (Doc. 7) is referred to the United States

1 Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit pursuant to Ninth Circuit Rule 22-3; and

2 **IT IS FINALLY ORDERED** that the Clerk of the Court shall administratively  
3 close this case.

4 Dated this 2nd day of February, 2015.

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7 Honorable Diane J. Humetewa  
8 United States District Judge  
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